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| TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 | | 32431/D08/1p U.S. APPLICATION NO. 09/308962 still unknown |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP97/06619 | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE November 27, 1997 | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED December 2, 1996 |
| TITLE OF INVENTION METHOD FOR INCREASING THE BEARING CAPACITY OF FOUNDATION SOILS FOR BUILDINGS | | |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Carlo CANTERI | | |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: | | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1). 4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date. 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US) 6. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). (unsigned) 10. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). | | |
| Items 11. to 16. below concern other document(s) or information included: | | |
| 11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. | | |
| 12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. | | |
| 13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. | | |
| 14. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. | | |
| 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. | | |
| 16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: redrafted claims 15 to 28 for entering the preliminary amendment and new abstract of the disclosure | | |

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Basic National Fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)):

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- a. ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the above fees is enclosed.
- b. ☒ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 13-3860 in the amount of \$ 525.= to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
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NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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**RE: New U.S. Patent Application in the
 name of Carlo CANTERI, filed as
 confirmation of PCT/EP97/06619 of
 November 27, 1997
 Agent's docket: 32431/DOB/lp**

Hon.
 COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS
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Sir,

Applicant desires processing of the above International Application in the national U.S. phase under P.C.T.

This is to enclose:

- 2) Transmittal letter (Form PTO-1390) in duplicate; Authorization to collect US \$ 525.=;
- 3) Specification and claims;
- 4) Unsigned combined declaration and power of attorney;
- 5) Six formal drawings accompanying the specification;
- 6) Preliminary Amendment with new claims 15 to 28 and new abstract of the disclosure;
- 7) Notification of the International Application number and of the International filing date
+ Request;
- 8) Notification concerning submission of Priority Documents;
- 9) Notification of transmittal of the International Search Report or the Declaration;
+ International Search Report and cited references;
+ Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97(b);

- 10) Notification recording of a change;
- 11) Notice informing the Applicant of the communication of the International Application to the designated offices;
- 12) Copy of publication of International Application;
- 13) Demand
- 14) Notification recording of a change;
- 15) Notification of receipt of Demand
- 16) Information concerning elected offices notified of their election;
- 17) Notification recording of a change;
- 18) Written Opinion;
- 19) Applicant's response to the Written Opinion;
- 20) Notification recording of a change;
- 21) Notification of transmittal of the International Preliminary Examination Report.

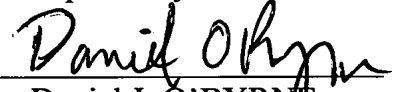
The priority date of the Italian Patent Application N. MI96A002520 of December 2, 1996 is respectfully claimed. The Certified Copy was submitted at WIPO on February 16, 1998. Please place of record in the file the enclosed papers and kindly acknowledge receipt thereof.

Will you please collect immediately the credit specified in the deposit account order, so as to allow the Application to receive an earliest filing date, however within:

JUNE 2, 1999.

Thanking you in advance,

Respectfully submitted


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